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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hiroaki Eto)
Serial No. 09/551,220)
Filed: April 17, 2000)
For: INFORMATION STORAGE)
DEVICE AND DEFECT)
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT)
METHOD)
Art Unit: 2651)
Examiner: Kapadia, Varsha A.)

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

Extension fee for response within first month:

() By a small entity (§1.9(f)) \$ 55.00
(X) By other than a small entity \$ 110.00

Extension fee for response within second month:

() By a small entity (§1.9(f)) \$ 200.00
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() By a small entity (§1.9(f)) \$ 720.00
() By other than a small entity \$1,440.00

Extension fee for response within fifth month:

() By a small entity (§1.9(f)) \$980.00
() By other than a small entity \$1,960.00

(X) A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this petition, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper amount be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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